

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING NOTES

Tuesday, November 8, 2005, 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order

Pledge

Roll Call–Johnson, Smith, Greenfield, Stull, Bell; all present

Mayor's Remarks

- Veterans Day Parade was Sunday, Nov. 6
- New Council Member being sworn in this evening
- 476 voters for Special Election–higher than normal, but a small percent of registered voters
- Rick Weldon and Hood College class held Forum at City Park Building –seven people in attendance

Approval of Minutes–M&C 10/11 & 10/25/05

Motion to approve–Greenfield

2nd–Stull

Vote 5-0

Council Member Swearing In–Ron Bruchey

Sandra Dalton, Clerk of the Circuit Court swears in.

Staff Reports/Committee Reports

Planning & Zoning–Rick Stup

Report attached.

Police–Chief Rough

Report attached.

Recreation–Geri Reynolds

Report attached.

Water–Pat Hoffmaster

Report attached.

Waste Water–Mike Campbell

Report attached.

Smith–Are the I & I problems occurring at Galyn Manor being documented?

Mike–Yes.

Public Works–Al Danaher
Report attached.

Smith–Regarding I & I work at Galyn Manor, didn't we have an inspector in place during construction?

Al–Yes.

View Engineering–Rick Travers
Report attached.

Smith–Is the Reservoir Cover getting pushed back to 2007?

Rick–There was a fear of damage to new cover if installed before tank construction was completed.

Bell–Will price of cover go up because of steel shortage?

Rick–Plan is to purchase materials now to avoid cost increase.

Code Enforcement–Dave Dunn
Report attached.

Mayor–Gives Yard Waste schedule for winter months.

Smith–Utility Committee Meeting on Thursday.

Greenfield–Gives overview of City Holiday events.

Stull–Campground hosted Fright Night. EDC working on Hometown Holidays event. Museum holding Victorian Christmas. Finance Committee meeting this Thursday.

Citizens' Forum

James Castle, 802 Ivy Way, Frederick, MD–Gives brief history of Civil War activity in Brunswick.

T.W.AveryLuke210Zing!Giving-All-Glory-To-God-924 Jefferson Pike–Speaks of importance of helping community, and in support of Pacific Café.

Bill Hopwood–Potomac Street–Following up from August 2005 Workshop.

Joe Harrington–46 East F Street–Thanks Mayor and Council for water pressure at his house. Unhappy with road conditions on his street.

Elizabeth Gray-Whims–310 West Potomac Street–Concerned with speeding on Potomac Street.

Old Business

New Business

Railroad Square Parking Resolution 05-15–Dave Dunn

Report attached. Proposing to increase parking rates for permitted parking at Railroad Square.

Motion to approve Resolution 05-15–Stull

2nd–Smith

Johnson–Inquires as to how often City can increase rates?

Dunn–As often as they want, but we haven't increased in 15 years.

Vote 6-0

Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area Plan–Resolution 05-16 to proceed to amend the Master Plan–Rick Stup

Report attached. Staff recommends approval.

Presentation given by Liz Shatto, Historic Society; Janet Davis, Frederick County Historic Preservation Planner; & John Fieseler, Executive Director, Tourism Council.

Bell–What are benefits to Brunswick?

Liz–Once TIZ qualification finalized, Brunswick eligible for all incentives. Railroad Museum and Main Street will benefit. Individual citizens could receive tax incentives.

Smith–Can Main Street receive funds?

John Fieseler–State grants cannot be matched with other state grants. Other funds could be matched though.

Liz–Other Main Street areas in Maryland are already involved in program.

Mayor–Is TIZ status competitive?

Liz–Nothing preventing Brunswick from moving forward in process.

John–More direct benefits are in TIZ. Benefits outside TIZ are somewhat secondary.

Smith–Council voted on program in 1999. Why wasn't Master Plan amended then?

John–1999 vote was to become a Recognized Heritage Area. This is next step in process.

Bell–What is involved in Master Plan Text Amendment?

Rick–Fee is around \$1500, which covers only around half of actual cost.

Bell–What is time frame?

Rick–Text amendments take six-eight work weeks to complete.

Motion to approve–Stull
2nd–Greenfield

Vote 4-2, Bruchey & Bell opposed

Employee Appreciation Day After Thanksgiving
Motion to approve–Greenfield
2nd–Bell
Vote 6-0

BHS Athletic Boosters Donation Request
Motion to award \$100–Smith
2nd–Stull
Vote 6-0

Adjournment

Approved By: _____
Mayor Date

Witnessed By: _____
City Administrator Date